

AGM –12th June 2013 at 5.30pm Held at The MAC, Belfast

In Attendance

Rosemary Daly PAC

Simon Turbitt Carson McDowell
Sarah Dunlop Carson McDowell

Richard O Toole Michael Burroughs Associates

Chris Bryson Strategic Planning
Maria O Loan Cleaver Fulton Rankin
Siobhan Kearney Cleaver Fulton Rankin
Clare McNally Cleaver Fulton Rankin
Karen Blair Cleaver Fulton Rankin

Catherine Fisher DOE
Gerard McClarey DOE
Johnny McNee DOE

Peter O Connor SLR Consulting Stephanie Hughes Clyde Shanks

Jonathan Bradely Waterman Transport & Development

Brian Roulston Hewitt and Gilpin Sara Tinslev **Turley Associates** James O Neill Corvus Consulting Gareth Grindle Corvus Consulting Andrew Ryan **EPLANI** Chair Carrie McDonagh **EPLANI Secretary** Gary Dodds Planning Intern Lisa Stewart AL Goodbody David Flynn AL Goodbody

Tanya Jones FFAN

Grainne Rice Hoy Dorman

Donna Matchett Pinsent Masons

Brian Jack QUB

Declan Lawlor Loughs Agency

1) Chairmans Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the AGM (took place after the Seminar with guest speakers Johnny McNee and Gerard McClarey from DOE Marine Plan Team and Declan Lawlor from Loughs Agency). All attendees invited to stay for AGM.



The minutes were confirmed from June 2012 proposed by AR and seconded by CMcD.

2) Chairs Remarks

Recap on how focus over the year had been on getting a new website and a solid educational resource fit for purpose. Urged members to review the website and added that committee intended to focus on retaining low cost events and increasing prizes to students in the difficult economic conditions including additional prizes for University Students.

Recap on events throughout the year:

- Joint UKELA event on 15th October
- EPLANI/RICS Joint Annual Planning and Development Conference 'Revitalising Town and City Centres' – City Hall 17th October.
- Titanic Study Tour on May 29th.

Going forward future events under preparation are: -

- AFBI Visit of an operational anaerobic digestor plant in Hillsborough;
- Windfarm Visit Carnhill;
- Joint UKELA event 22nd October:
- Breakfast Briefing with Terry Ahern NIEA Chief Executive:
- Careers Event at UU in October.

Continuing collaboration is a key plan going forward with other professional bodies include the annual Joint RICS and UKELA events in October.

3) Award of Student Prizes

A key role of EPLANI is to further environmental education and in the current economic climate it was decided by Committee that additional support for students was a valuable way to support the next generation of environmental lawyers and planners.

Queens Environmental Law undergraduate have availed of an award for several years and this was again awarded to the student with the highest mark in the Ethics module. The recipient was Aurelie Arduin..



The Queens School of Law were awarded a £250 prize for their Masters in Environmental Law and Sustainable Development. The winner was Eoin Brady.

QUB School of Architecture and Civil Engineering – MSc in Planning Skills and Ethics was awarded to Kathryn Mulholland.

UUJ Msc in Planning and Property Development Award - Split jointly between those who gained the highest overall mark in each of the four year groups and was awarded to Philip Gordon, Lisa Stewart, Michael Beattie and Alex O'Hara.

4) Treasurers Report

- Income for the year is down mainly due to loss of revenue from seminar fees due to free events;
- Membership income is roughly the same;
- Expenditure is up partly due to the increase in student prize and the development of the new website (which is split between this year and last);
- Decision is still to keep seminar fees down due to economic climate;
- Deficit of £3665:
- Overall a healthy balance of £23,962.

5) Election of Officers

Andrew Ryan and Carrie McDonagh both retired at AGM.

David Worthington and Neil Dunlop Retired at AGM.

Maria O Loan proposed as Chair and Sara Tinsley as Secretary by Carrie McDonagh and seconded by Rosemary Daly. Duly elected.

Remaining members of committee was duly re-elected.

6 Thanks

Thanks again to the DOE Marine Plan Team members and Declan Lawlor for their informative presentations.

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Carrie McDonagh EPLANI Secretary Dated 12th June 2013